

The regional cooperation represents a significant dimension of the Romanian diplomacy.

Both in the conceptual and political domain as well as in the pragmatic field and in that of the concrete actions of foreign policy conducted by the Government of Romania, the complementarity between the approach on the regional plane and the major objective of the Euro-Atlantic and European integration has been consolidated. The cooperation and interdependence in the regional plane represents a useful exercise in view of the participation in the promotion of the common European and Euro-Atlantic interests and aspirations.

Concurrently, the experience acquired so far has demonstrated that a series of political, economic, security and cultural issues can be much better approached and settled in a relatively homogeneous framework, which witnesses a certain cohesion and a common development experience. In this sense, the regions can provide the adequate framework to establish a series of cooperation mechanisms, likely to contribute to the international security climate.

The dedicated efforts and the political commitment associated to the development of these regional cooperation instruments bestow a greater credibility on the common approaches and consolidate the common confidence.

The overture expressed by the Romanian diplomacy in getting acquainted with and pursuing, in general, the regional cooperation processes in Central and Southeastern Europe - the Process of Cooperation of the Southeastern European States, the Central European Initiative, CEFTA, the Danubian Cooperation Process, the Stability Pact in Southeastern Europe, the Southeastern European Cooperations Initiative - but also in other areas, in Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central, Asia - the Black Sea Economic Cooperation, GUUAM - is doubled by the active participation of our country in the initiatives, processes and regional cooperation structures, with a complex and extremely diverse range of issues.

Moreover, Romania's geostrategic vocation determines us to have a voice in the Central East European region as well as in the space contiguous to the Black Sea - Caucasus - Central Asia and even beyond it, in the Middle East region, in the large sense.

Furthermore, the cooperation in a trilateral format and the crossborder cooperation under the Euro-regions form provide an adequate framework for the development of projects in the most diverse domains.